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PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS:

Transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application of **Helen CASTIGLIA**
FOR: **DECORATIVE LIGHTING SYSTEM FOR CHRISTMAS TREES AND OTHER DECORATIVE TREES AND BUSHES**

ENCLOSED ARE:

- ☒ **Three (3)** sheet(s) of formal drawing(s)
☐ sheet(s) of informal drawing(s)
☐ an Assignment of the invention, with required cover sheet, to

☐ Priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119 for the following application(s):


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☐ a certified copy of the aforesaid application will be submitted in due course.
☐ Associate Power of Attorney enclosed.

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| BASIC FEE (\$750) | | | | |
| REDUCED FEE (\$375) | <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Independent Inventor</u> | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>Small Business Concern</u> | \$375.00 |
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- ☒ Applicant claims Small Entity status.
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**REQUEST AND CERTIFICATION
UNDER
35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)**

First Named Inventor

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Title

Decorative Lighting System for
~~Christmas Trees and other Decorative Trees...~~

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I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not** be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

July 18, 2003
Date

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This request must be signed in compliance with 37 CFR 1.33(b) and submitted with the application **upon filing**.

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